One Hundred and Thirty-sixth
Commencement Ceremony

SATURDAY, MAY 22, 1999
Program

Academic Procession
The audience is requested to remain standing through the Invocation.

Welcome
A most cordial welcome is extended to relatives, friends, faculty members, alumni, administrators, and staff members who gather here to celebrate the 136th Commencement of Bryant College.

Flag Bearers
Bryant College Army ROTC Color Guard

Class Flag
Bryant College extends its gratitude to the late Emeritus Honorary Trustee George J. Kelley '39, '69H for his generosity in providing on-going support for the purchase and display of a graduating class flag. The 1999 Class Flag was designed by Melissa R. Frank '99, Steven L. Lazarus '99, Meagan S. Mirkovich '99, Lynn M. Rapoza '99, A.J. Smith '99, and Brad Weissman '99. The flag is carried today by Steven L. Lazarus '99, Meagan S. Mirkovich '99 and A.J. Smith '99. The flag symbolizes how the senior class has left their mark at Bryant and will continue to create their own paths for the future.

Marshalls
Chief Marshall
Professor Phyllis Schumacher
Graduate Marshall
Professor John Quinn
Graduate Marshall
Professor Lynda St. Clair
Faculty Marshall
Professor Terri Hasseler
Faculty Marshall
Professor Julia Gladstone
Platform Marshall
Professor Wallace Wood
Platform Marshall
Professor Joseph Urgo

College Mace Bearer
Kathy Simons
The National Anthem
Soloist: Cecilia Rodi

Invocation
The Reverend Philip Devens
Bryant College Protestant Chaplain

Presiding
Ronald K. Machtley
President of Bryant College

Convening the 136th Commencement
John D. Callahan
Chair of the Board of Trustees, Bryant College

Conferring of Honorary Degrees
President Machtley

Citations
Patrick J. Keeley
Professor of English

Honorary Degree Recipients
James M. Benson
Orit Gadiesh
John E. (Jack) Wolfe

Trustee Presenters
Michael E. Fisher, ’67
Beverly E. Ledbetter
Joseph T. Duffy ’69
Hooding of Honorary Degree Recipients
Dr. V. K. Unni
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Commencement Address
James M. Benson

Presentation of Commencement and Senior Service Awards
Dr. Unni Dr. J. Thomas Eakin
Vice President for Student Affairs

Reserve Officer Training Corps Commissioning Service
President Machtley
Lt. Colonel (Retired) Dana Mather

Alumni Greetings and Student Charge
Introduction: Ernest A. Almonte ’78, ’85MST
Bryant College Trustee and
President of the Bryant College Alumni Association
Speaker: Megan Gorman ’99

Presentation of Candidates for Undergraduate Degrees
Dr. Unni

Conferral of Degrees
President Machtley
Candidates are introduced by members of the faculty of their respective departments.
The Bryant College Alma Mater
(audience invited to join in)

Throughout Our Lives: An Anthem for Bryant College

Bryant College, Black and Gold; Your arms embrace us, young and old. Though we be near; Though we be far; We will remember throughout our lives. Knowledge, learning, work and play; Our minds will grow from day to day. All that we learn, All that we know, Always will be with us throughout our lives.

What's to come is still unsure; But memories will long endure. Strong in our hearts, Strong in our minds, Strong and undying throughout our lives. Dear companions, classmates, friends; Who knows where you and I will end? Dear for a term, Dear for a year, Dearest of all lasting through our lives.

Alma Mater, hear our song; From sons and daughters thousands strong. Day after day, Year after year, You will be with us throughout our lives. All that we learn, All that we know, Always will be with us through our lives. Dear companions, classmates, friends; Who knows where you and I will end? Dear for a term, Dear for a year, Dearest of all lasting through our lives.

Composer: Richard Cumming, Adjunct Professor of Music

Benediction

The Reverend Joseph Pescatello
Bryant College Catholic Chaplain

Adjournment of the 136th Commencement Ceremony
John D. Callahan

Recessional

Please remain in place until the platform members and faculty leave the Commencement area.

Please join your fellow graduates, families, faculty, and staff for refreshments in the Reception Tent immediately following the ceremony.
Commencement Awards

**The Anna M. & Jere St. Angelo ’61 Accounting Awards**

Roger S. Wells  Megan A. Gorman

These awards are presented to graduating seniors in Accounting who are in the top 10 percent of their class and are residents of an urban area.

**The Bryant College Good Citizenship Award**

Eileen B. Flaherty

This award is presented to a graduate who has demonstrated the qualities of sincerity and vigorous industry in the interest of good citizenship and who has, by example, furthered better government both on and off the campus.

**The CIS Department Award**

Cassandra L. Grenier

This award is presented annually to a graduate with a concentration in Computer Information Systems who has excelled academically, has enriched his/her CIS education through meaningful work experience, and has demonstrated an unselfish attitude toward others through his/her active involvement in organizations, clubs, or events.

**The English/Humanities Department Awards**

Brian Willinsky (communication)  Dita Markova (language)

Megan Gorman (literary studies)

This award is presented annually to a graduate for outstanding achievement in the study of Communication, Language, or Literary Studies.
Commencement Awards

The George J. Kelley Award
Stephen G. Dirksen
This award is presented to a graduating senior scheduled to complete all degree requirements in May, who at the end of the fall semester had attempted and completed at least 102 credits at Bryant College and is recognized and honored for having the highest cumulative grade point average as of the end of the fall semester.

The George M. Parks Award
Steven Lance Lazarus
This award is presented to a bachelor's degree candidate who has done the most to enhance the reputation of the College through recognized leadership qualities.

The History/Social Science Department Awards
Jamie-Lynn Calantropio (sociology) Ahmet Sirri Yircali (political science)
Brian Belliveau (psychology) Benjamin J. LeFrancois (legal studies)
These awards are presented annually to graduates for outstanding achievement in the study of Legal Studies, Sociology, Psychology, or Political Science.

The Jack Rubens Leadership in Finance Award
Louis Eric Silk
This award is presented to a graduate who has demonstrated outstanding performance in academics, service to the finance department, and enthusiasm and leadership in extracurricular activities related to finance.
Commencement Awards

The Jeremiah Clark Barber Award
Gerasimos Matiatos
This award is presented to a bachelor’s degree candidate who has shown a consistent record of improvement in mastering the subject matter of a specific academic program.

The John Hancock Insurance Company Award
Meagan Mirkovitch  Timothy Magnotta
This award is presented to two bachelor’s degree students who have demonstrated superior achievement in the study of Applied Actuarial Mathematics.

The Kappa Tau Brotherhood Award
Matthew L. Condos
This award is presented to a graduate who has exhibited outstanding brotherhood and leadership in promoting policies beneficial to Bryant College and the entire student body. This award is given by Kappa Tau Fraternity.

The Leander Francis Emin Endowed Homestead Award
Stephen G. Dirksen
This award is presented to a graduate who has achieved scholastic excellence in accounting. This award was inaugurated by the family of Leander Francis Emin, Bryant alumnus of the class of 1907, to honor his memory and his birthplace and home — the 1708 house and the entire Emin homestead farm and airport — which has now become the campus of his alma mater.
Commencement Awards

The Pell Medal for United States History

Melissa Miriam Lane
This medal is presented to a graduate who has displayed excellence in the study of United States history. The Honorable Claiborne de Borda Pell, created this medal to honor the memory of his father, the late Herbert C. Pell, statesman and diplomat, who served the United States as Ambassador to Hungary and Minister to Portugal.

The Reserve Officer Training Corps Achievement Award

Danielle M. Porter
This award is presented to a bachelor’s degree candidate who has excelled in military science studies and other courses and who has shown superior leadership potential in the military science program and in extracurricular activities.

The Rhode Island Society of Certified Public Accountants Award

Benjamin J. LeFrancois
This award is presented to a graduate who, in the opinion of the accounting faculty has demonstrated excellence in accounting studies and intends to pursue a career in public accounting.

The Roger W. Babson Award

Rebecca L. Robertson
This award is presented to a bachelor’s degree candidate who has become distinguished within the College community because of character, orderly mind, sound judgment, and systematic business habits.
Commencement Awards

The Alumni Association Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award
Matthew A. Roloff        Andrea L. Raffone
This award is presented respectively to the graduating male and female senior athletes with the highest grade point averages.

The Senior Service Award
Matthew Montour        Brian Willinsky        Stefanie Savage
Meagan Mirkovich        Steven Lazarus        Kevin Buonagurio
This award is presented to six deserving students of the graduating class to recognize their outstanding service to the student body of Bryant College. The recipients are selected by the Student Senate Service Awards Committee.

The Wall Street Journal Award
Sara D. Parker
This award is presented to a graduate who has shown distinction in the fields of economics, finance, and investments.
Honorary Degree Recipients

James M. Benson  
**Doctor of Business Administration**  
Chairman, president and CEO of New England Financial, a Boston-based insurance and financial services firm affiliated with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. Benson went to New England Financial from his position as COO of Equitable Companies, Inc. and president and CEO of its flagship life insurance operation, Equitable Life Assurance Society. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois with a BA in economics and earned his MBA at the University of Southern California. He holds the Chartered Life Underwriter designation. Benson is active in many industry and community organizations and is founder and chair of World T.E.A.M. Sports, providing opportunities through sports activities for people with physical and mental disabilities.

Orit Gadiesh  
**Doctor of Business Administration**  
Chairman and CEO of Bain & Company, Boston, one of the largest global strategic management companies. Gadiesh is a widely acknowledged expert on management and corporate strategy, advising top-level managers throughout the world on critical issues. Prior to joining Bain in 1977, Gadiesh served in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Israeli Army. She holds a BA, summa cum laude, from Hebrew University, Jerusalem, and an MBA with highest honors, the Baker’s Scholar, and Brown Award from the Harvard Business School. She is renowned for inspiring leadership and high energy levels and credited for turning Bain & Company around following her election as its chairman in 1993.
Honorary Degree Recipients

John E. (Jack) Wolfe
**Doctor of Business Administration**

President, CEO and director of Metrisa, Inc., a Massachusetts-based designer, manufacturer, and marketer of technical instruments for the process, environmental, and materials characterization market. Previously, Mr. Wolfe led Tytronics, Inc., the founding company of Metrisa, Inc., and has held senior positions in other engineering organizations. He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute and an MS in management from Massachusetts Institute of Technology as an Alfred P. Sloan Fellow. He has been a Bryant College trustee since 1987. His three-year term as chairman, from 1995-1998, is marked with stellar success, including the initiation of The New Century Plan for Excellence, a strategy to guide Bryant’s leadership into the next millennium.

Yesterday at the Graduate School Commencement Ceremony, Dr. Wayne A. Budd received an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree and Dr. George E. Congdon II ’64 received an Honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree posthumously.
Graduation Honors and Honor Societies

Academic Honors

*Cum Laude* (with honors)
*Magna Cum Laude* (with high honors)
*Summa Cum Laude* (with highest honors)

Special recognition is accorded those who show distinction in academic achievement. Honors may be awarded on the basis of cumulative averages, as follows: *Cum Laude* (3.30), *Magna Cum Laude* (3.55), *Summa Cum Laude* (3.80). Students must have completed sixty (60) semester hours of work at Bryant College to be eligible for honors.

**Honor Societies**

*B Beta Gamma Sigma* - Beta Gamma Sigma is the highest national recognition a student can receive in an undergraduate program in business or management accredited by AACSB-The International Association for Management Education. To be eligible for membership a student must have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 and rank in the upper seven percent of the junior class or upper ten percent of the senior class.

*Omicron Delta Epsilon* - Founded in 1915, Omicron Delta Epsilon is one of the world's largest international academic honor societies and there has been a chapter at Bryant College since 1969. It is dedicated to the encouragement of excellence in economics. To be eligible for membership a student must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of economics courses, have earned at least a “B” average in the economics courses and have an overall scholastic average of “B” or better.

*A Lambda Pi Eta* - Lambda Pi Eta is an accredited member of the Association of College Honor Societies. It is the official communication studies honor society of the National Communication Association. To be eligible for membership, students must have completed at least 12 hours of communication courses, have a GPA of at least 3.25, and be in the upper thirty-five percent of the graduating class.

*hp Honors Program* - The Honors Program is an enriched educational experience for academically talented students. To be recognized as an Honors Program graduate a student must have successfully completed six challenging courses enhanced with a specially designed honors component.
**Degree Information**

The 1999 Bryant College Commencement honors certified graduates and degree candidates who have been scheduled to complete coursework by July 31, 1999. Honors are tentatively calculated as of the fall semester, 1998.

**Code Key**

- β Beta Gamma Sigma graduates wear blue and gold cords with their academic robes.
- hp Honors Program graduates wear gold sashes with their academic robes.
- o Omicron Delta Epsilon graduates wear green and white cords with their academic robes.
- Λ Lamda Pi Eta graduates wear red and white cords with their academic robes.

Students at Bryant College who have distinguished themselves through academic performance wear gold honor cords with their academic robes.

Double majors listed in ALL CAPS:  
- ACG Accounting  
- AAM Applied Actuarial Mathematics  
- COM Communication  
- CIS Computer Information Systems  
- ECO Economics  
- ENG English  
- FS Financial Services  
- FIN Finance  
- HIS History  
- INS International Studies  
- MGT Management  
- MKT Marketing

Program Minors listed in lower case:  
- (biotc) biotechnology  
- (com) communication  
- (cis) computer information systems  
- (eco) economics  
- (eng) english  
- (ensci) environmental science  
- (his) history  
- (lgls) legal studies  
- (pols) political science  
- (psy) psychology  
- (soc) sociology

*Commissioned Second Lt., US Army, ROTC Program*
Degree Candidates - 136th Commencement Ceremony

Bachelor of Arts in
Liberal Studies
Communication
Kim Marie Birong, (psy)
Christopher Patrick Grogan, (his)

Economics
William Todd Clark, φ,
Magna Cum Laude
Jason Phillip Martone
Sara D. Parker, hp, φ,
Summa Cum Laude

English
Kenneth George Wakefield, (his)

International Studies
Julie Alice Donovan
Stephanie Leigh Paolino

Bachelor of Science in
Business Administration
Accounting
Stephen Vincent Alimonti Jr.
Matthew Robert Allred, β,
Magna Cum Laude
Michael Edward Andre Jr., β,
Magna Cum Laude
Michael J. Anoli
Valerie Marie Arold
John Francis Baker IV Cum Laude
Jason Warren Baldwin, (lgls), β,
Magna Cum Laude
Jeffrey Beaudry
Jessica Joyce Benevides
James Richard Bergeron
Michelle Lee Blauvelt, (soc)
Karen Jean Bonin, (soc)
Mary Louise Bucki, (eng)
Stacy Marie Burinskias, (psy)
Pamela Estelle Burkett
Michael Anthony Calise, (lgls), Cum Laude
Brian Matthew Canina, (cis)
Leah M. Capuano
Lucille Carmody
Amy Chang, (eng)
Andrew Joseph Cichon
Cum Laude

Jason Robert Cinq-Mars
Christine Marie Collard, (his)
Mark Cordeiro
David Paul Corsi
Sandra N. Costa, Cum Laude
Sarah Ellyn Couture, (cis), hp,
Cum Laude
Melissa Anne Criscuolo
Diana Cunkovski, (cis)
Kerrilyn Dailey
Jayme Mechell DelMastro
Christopher Michael DiBona
Jaime Lee DiNobile, β,
Magna Cum Laude
Stephen Grant Dirksen, CIS, β,
Summa Cum Laude
David Andrew Dolph, FIN,
Cum Laude
Heather Marie Dunford, (psy)
Sarah Jean Dyl, β,
Cum Laude
Toni Patricia Eannotti, (cis)
Justine Lynn Eddy, (cis), β, β,
Magna Cum Laude
Terry L. Elliott, β, Magna Cum Laude
Jacqueline Ann Ely, (cis), Cum Laude
James Harry Everett Jr.
Elizabeth Faria
Mark Anthony Faron, (his)
Kristi Marie Flanagan
Degree Candidates - 136th Commencement Ceremony

Bradley Fries, FIN, Cum Laude
Jonathan Michael Gaudiose, hp, β, Magna Cum Laude
Peter M. Gervais, β, Summa Cum Laude
Ann. Elisabeth Gittiemann, CIS, hp, β, Magna Cum Laude
Kenneth Steven Godir.
Tara Elizabeth Gofton
Gwynne Marie Goodwin
Megan Anne Gorman, ENG, β, Summa Cum Laude
Michelle Laura Gosselin, (cis)
Erin Jessica Gotowska, β, Summa Cum Laude
Rita Marie Graci
Kimberly Erin Gregson, Cum Laude
Gerald William Grindlay
Alyssa Kathryn Hagan, (eng)
David Scott Heffner
Nancy Jean Holden
David Iaza, Cum Laude
Christian Iskandar, (soc)
Kevin Thomas Jarry, (psy)
Jennifer Lynn Kaczor, (soc), Cum Laude
Sarah Jeanne Kaczynski
Navy Law, Magna Cum Laude
Jessica Lynn Lawrence, β, Magna Cum Laude
Liza Jeannette Lecuyer, Magna Cum Laude
Benjamin Jameson LeFrancois, (lgls), hp, β, Summa Cum Laude
Kara Ann Lewis, (soc), Cum Laude
Robert Peter Lind, (eco), β, Magna Cum Laude
Leslie Suzanne Lord
Jeanne Marie Lovett, (psy), β, Summa Cum Laude
Alphonse Michael Lucibello
Erian John Meckie, β, Magna Cum Laude
Alicia Anne Manders, Cum Laude
Anthony Joseph Mangiarelli
Sean Peter Martin
Pia M. Mata-Disano, CIS
Anthony L. Mazza
Michael Paul McDonnell
James Lawrence McGlynn
Theresa Marie Meyer, (psy)
Stacey Lynn Michalman, (psy), β, Cum Laude
Marcie Ann Monaco
Javier Montenegro, (psy, cis)
Nancy Ann Moreira
Kelly C. Murphy, (psy)
Julie M. Newport-Reilly
Jerri-Lee Mary O'Donnell, (cis)
Deborah Ann Owen
Dario Paduano, (eco), β, Magna Cum Laude
Robert Thomas Page, 3, Magna Cum Laude
Marc David Parauka, β, Magna Cum Laude
Elizabeth Matos Pereira, (his)
Nancy Sinclair Plurde
Nathan Matthew Przyziecki, (eng)
Andrea Lynn Raffone, β, Magna Cum Laude
Maryanne Riccio, CIS
Rebecca Lynn Robertson
Jeffrey Carson Rocha
Melissa C. Shover
Richard Bradley Slisz
Michael David Smith, (his)
Sarah O'Reilly Smith
Sarah Elyse Smith, β, Magna Cum Laude
Nicole Suzanne Snyder
Khuan Sok, (psy), Cum Laude
Alan M. Soua
Reene Michelle St. John
Lisa Marie Stapleton
John Paul Stevens, (soc)
Yuen Sun Tang
Jennifer Lynn Tavares
Pamela Jean Thompson, (cis)
Jamie Lynn Titus, (psy)
Degree Candidates - 136th Commencement Ceremony

Gina Marie Tocco, (psy), Cum Laude
Brian D. Tortolano
Chris J. Tringali, (cis, eng), Cum Laude
Jenny Altagracia Urena, (cis)
Barbara Ann Walsh, (psy)
Eric Todd Watt, Cum Laude
Brad Russell Weissman, (cis)
Jennifer Lynne Welch, Cum Laude
Roger Scott Wells, (psy), B, Summa Cum Laude
Constance Elizabeth Weyman
Timothy David Wight
Tara Beth Willey, (com)
Melissa Ann Yarigle
Ronald Paul Yuhas Jr.

Applied Actuarial Math

David James Burrows
Matthew Ludwig Condos, B, Summa Cum Laude
Daniel Albert Constantine, Magna Cum Laude
Matthew Ryan Desfosses
Michael Todd Eaton
Brian Diesing Hurleigh
Karyn Michelle Labelle, (soc)
Christopher Richard Lebrun
Timothy William Magnotta, B, Summa Cum Laude
Meagan Sue Mirkovich, (soc), B, Summa Cum Laude
Danielle Marie Porter
Shin Sagara, Cum Laude
Russell Aubin Wallis, B, Cum Laude

Computer Information Systems

Christopher Jason Alarie
Paul Daniel Asadoorian, (ensc.)
Thomas Robert Babiarz
Michelle Jennifer Baffoni, (psy)
Matthew Michael Batalon, (fin)
Carrie Lynn Beaumont
Yelena S. Begunts, (eng)
Kevin Michael Beyerly, (his)
Chris Alan Boehm
Carolyn A. Cahill, B, Cum Laude
Dayana Monica Carnevalini
Amy Wing Yun Chin, B, Magna Cum Laude
Sarah Anne Clancy, (com)
Randy James Colonero
Heather Maynee Cortes, INS
Marcia Fatima Costa, MKT
Eric Demetrius Dalnas, (psy), B, Magna Cum Laude
Sergei Daniel, FIN, B, Magna Cum Laude
Kelly Elizabeth Desens
Michael C. Drewnowski
Thomas Edward Dudack
Jeffrey Patrick Dugan, (psy)
Scott Vincent Erost, Cum Laude
Jessica Antonia Escobosa, (eng)
Leah Nancy Fernandes, Cum Laude
Christian T. Genest
Brian Scott George
Justin R. Gladu, (com), B, Cum Laude
Myron David Gorham, (psy)
Richard Edward Guidice
Stephen Joseph Guidace
Kathy Jo Harrison
Brendan Peter Hayes, (eng)
Vladimir Pascal Herisse
Amy Kathleen Hermann
Clark Thurston Hill, (his), B, Magna Cum Laude
Frank Robert Hill
Thanh-Danh Nguyen Ho
Keith Michael Jenic, (eco), B, Magna Cum Laude
Scott James Kellock
Michael S. Khalfayan
Michael Komeros III, MKT
Cory James Labrie, Cum Laude
Brian L. Lancia
Jason John Lavoie
Thomas Leone, FIN
Deborah Lee Lopes
Degree Candidates - 136th Commencement Ceremony

Stephen S. Lynch
Jonathan Taylor Matunas, (his), Cum Laude
John Joseph Maziarz, (psy)
Kevin Glenn McGrath
Stephen Kenneth McLean, ENG
Steven Michael Meunier
Keith Eric Miller
Brian Matthew Mitchell
Sharon Patrice Moore, (soc)
Michele Renee Mottola, (psy)
Mark B. Nadella, ACG
Yasutaka Ogita
Scott Charles Oliphant
Kevin John Palmer, (soc)
Todd Michael Powers, (fin)
Aaron Michael Prunier
Christopher Alan Race
Stephen Allen Renaud
Stuart Louis Rice Jr.
Jennifer Margaret Robert
Fernando Luis Rodriguez
Matthew Anthony Roloff, (eco), β, Magna Cum Laude
Timothy J. Rowe
Jimena Griselda Sandoval
Christopher Michael Saunders, (lgis)
Scott Michael Shepard, (his), Cum Laude
Heather Ana-Sa Simas, (soc)
Sean Martin Smith
Joseph Christopher Soffey
John Bradly Stump, Cum Laude
Suzanne Marie Sullivan, (his)
Mark Florian Svehlík, (psy)
Matthew George Taibi, (his, pols)
Anna Albertovna Tavakalova
Michael Joseph Thomas III, Cum Laude
Quan Minh Tran
Anne Marie Tremblay, β, Cum Laude
Timothy Thomas Wesockes
Albert E. Wiesner IV, (com)
Michael John Wilk, (soc)

Finance
Elisabeth Ann Adderley, (cis), Cum Laude
Adzaniamah Adeni
Rakan Tareq Al-Salem, MGT, (cis)
Aquilino Antonio Arias
Tariq Irfan Arif, (cis)
Luis Israel Ariza Garcia III, (po's)
Scot Edward Battersby
Mark A. Bellias, CIS
Aubry Lyn Bettencourt, ENG
Christine Virginia Bird, (psy)
Betheny Alexis Blowers, INS, Cum Laude
Christopher J. Braccia, (com)
Paul Walter Bracken, (cis)
Joseph Michael Buckley
James M. Burton
Jason Cady, CIS, (eng), Cum Laude
Jamie-Lynn Calantropio, (soc,com)
β, Summa Cum Laude
Bret Charles Caldwell, INS, Cum Laude
Bahadur Candan, (pol)
Kristen A. Catanzano, (ccm)
Theresa Catolico, INS, Cum Laude
Grace Chi-Wai Chan, CIS
Amit Ginsh Chokshi, (eng)
Robert Fox Clark IV, (cis)
William Todd Clark, ECO, (soc), β, Magna Cum Laude
Bryan David Combis, (soc), Cum Laude
Joshua Michael Connors
Thomas Manuel Costa
Karri L. Cromeau, (psy)
Joseph A. Crowell, hp, β, Cum Laude
Natalia Daniel, ACG, β, Cum Laude
Suraj Tejkumar Daryanani, β, Magna Cum Laude
Jonathan Paul Delfino, Summa Cum Laude
Dean Peter Demitropoulos
Joseph Michael Donohue, (psy)
Ezechiel Dort
Jason Charles Eastman
Degree Candidates - 136th Commencement Ceremony

William Marc Elward, (cis), β, Summa Cum Laude
Heather Lee Enquist, β, Magna Cum Laude
Andrea Feizidis, INS
Maria Fernandes, (his)
Bernard Clifford Fisher III
William Henry Fogarty
Aatman V. Ghatlia, (pols)
Michael Paul Gilligan, (psy)
Christa Lee Gillis, (cis)
Anjali Goel, ECO, Summa Cum Laude
Patrick Joseph Gray
Cassandra Lee-Anne Grenier, CIS, hp, β, Summa Cum Laude
Thomas Louis Grilli
Theo B. Hall
Shannon Lee Hartl, (psy), β, Magna Cum Laude
Paul C. Hunter
Rahul Ashok Jain, CIS, Cum Laude
Yali Jiang, β, Magna Cum Laude
Manuel Adriano Jimenez, ECO, hp, β, Summa Cum Laude
Marie Ann Kane
Sarah Christina Kiamos, Cum Laude
Hyeon-Soo Kim
Seung Wook Kim
Scott Francis Klein
David Michael Koesner, (eco)
Peter John Krawciw
James Kenneth LaCasse
Leigh Ann Susan LaFlesh, (com, psy)
Michelle Anne LaGreca
Gina Lamiase
Scarlett H. Langway, (com)
Melissa Maureen Larkin, (his)
Jeremiah Richard Lastarza
Yeo-Gon Lee, (cis)
Niphon Lithavong, CIS
Peter Robert Littler, (cis)
Kevin William Lolley
Mary Elizabeth Lynch, Cum Laude
Chery Estelle Lyons, CIS
Kelly M. Maher
John Anthony Marinelli Jr.
Ryan Douglas Marini, (his)
Dita Markova, INS, β, Summa Cum Laude
Keith Alexander Masterson, (cis)
Gerasimos Matiaacos
David Michael Matteson, Cum Laude
Jamie Joseph McAskill, (com)
Michael J. McCarthy
Thomas Leo McDonald, (pols)
Jennifer Marie Melville, INS
Murtuza S. Mewawala, (eco, cis) β, Cum Laude
Nicholas Alexander Milligan
Rachel Lea Minott, (psy)
Targol Mirnirani, INS, β, Cum Laude
Jason Todd Murray
Jeffrey J. Murray
Heidi Anne Nixon, β, Magna Cum Laude
Maureen Nobile, (cis)
Gregory Charles Nolte, β, Magna Cum Laude
Kimberly Michelle Noyes, CIS, β, Magna Cum Laude
John Kenneth O'Connell
Dukil Ohnuki
Kevin Michael O'Mara
James Edward O'Neil
Alvaro Ortega, INS
Jennifer G. Paiva, iNS, β, Magna Cum Laude
Timothy Pavlopoulos
Monica Sabrina Pellegrino
Mark Joseph Perry, Cum Laude
Christopher Michael Petisce
Alan Bruce Peit Jr., CIS, Cum Laude
Michael R. Petruska
Nathalie Piquion, (pols)
John S. Pratt Jr.
Richard Manuel Rebelo
Nicole Lizette Riel
Cynthia Rodriguez, (cis)
Degree Candidates - 136th Commencement Ceremony

Eric K. Roniza
Anthony John Rose, (com)
Chalres G. Roth, (soc)
Daniel Whelen Russell, (pols)
Grace Ellen Manansala SantaTeresa, B, Magna Cum Laude
Prem Gordhan Savalani
Louis Eric Silk, (eco), hp, B, Summa Cum Laude
Christopher Michael Simmons, ACG, (his), B, Magna Cum Laude
Anit Sippy, CIS
Michael Joseph Socci, (psy)
Elena Nicole Soa, (cis)
Robyn Joanna Stagg, CIS
Amd Stroeh, (pols), B, Magna Cum Laude
Arthur Thomas Tattrrie, (cis)
Joshua David Tattrrie
Harsh Lalchand Tifani, (his)
Kristy Lynn Tracinski, B, Cum Laude
Thomas H. Titzouris, (eco), Cum Laude
Gregoire Andre Vaucher
Vincent Anthony Verducci
Kenneth John Verzella, (cis), hp
Keith T. Violette
Sara Jane Wall, (cis), B, Magna Cum Laude
Frederick Olaiya Wande
Sonia Lynn Wilson, (cis), Magna Cum Laude
Sean Thomas Wood

Financial Services
Tony Bradica
Lynn Marie Rajoza, Cum Laude
Andrew Ian Zinberg, (com)

Management
Renee Kathleen Amara, B, Cum Laude
Angelos Arvanitakis, (pols)
Richard Philip Baccart, II
Elchin Akram Bagirov, INS
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The Harriet C. Jacobs Memorial Mace
The College Mace is carried at Commencement exercises and at other College celebrations. Crowned in gold, the mace has the two dominant emblems of the institution: the seal of the State of Rhode Island and the seal of Bryant College.

The President's Chair
The President's Chair, a gift to the College from Priscilla Angelo and her husband, John Eng-Wong, is used on ceremontal occasions. It is a walnut Victorian style gent's chair copied from an original French design from the period of the College's founding in 1863. The carved crest top includes the Bryant College bronze seal.

Bryant Medallion
The Bryant Medallion is worn by the president during academic ceremonies such as Commencement, Convocation, and the bestowal of honorary degrees. One side of the medallion bears a likeness of the College seal, the other, the names of all Bryant College presidents. The formal installation of presidents is marked by the presentation of the medallion by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees to the president.

The Bryant Seal
The Bryant Seal represents the educational mission of the College and its worldwide implications. The central symbol is an ellipsoid globe with quills on each side to signify the traditional emblem of communication in business. In the center, behind the globe, is a torch symbolizing liberty, the spirit of free inquiry, academic freedom, and learning. The Archway, forming the background for the globe, torch, and quills, is a College landmark affectionately remembered by thousands of alumni. The Latin motto expresses the purpose of the College: "Educando Dirigere Mercaturam" – Education for Business Leadership.
Alumni Charge

Commencement is not an ending, but a beginning. Your relationship with your Alma Mater will not end today, but rather evolve into a new form. In Latin, Alma Mater means “fostering mother” and alumnus meant originally “foster child.”

Your relationship with your parents doesn’t end the day you leave home; rather, as you gain your independence, your ties with your family become centered around mutual respect, affection and moral support. So it is with your relationship to Bryant College. As you move out with hope and courage into your careers or further education, you will want to maintain close ties with your Alma Mater.

The vehicle for maintaining these ties is the Bryant College Alumni Association. Through this organization, you will be able to stay in touch with the friends you have made here, at class reunions and at local alumni chapter events. You will also be able to utilize the resources of Bryant College as you develop your career path. You, in turn, will become a resource for the College. Our alumni serve on various College committees, curriculum advisory councils, and on the Board of Trustees. We also help to maintain and advance the excellent reputation of this school through volunteer efforts on behalf of admission, career development, educational programs, and fund raising. Through the Alumni Association, you play a significant part in enhancing Bryant College’s ability to attract quality faculty, administration, and students.

So today the Alumni Association extends to you an invitation to begin a life-long relationship with your Alma Mater. Stay in touch. Let the Alumni Office know where you are, and what your latest accomplishments are. Get involved with local alumni chapters. And through your individual support and work with other alumni, help keep Bryant College an outstanding institution for future generations. Your efforts will help ensure that years from now you will still be able to point with pride to your graduation from Bryant College.

We extend to you and your family and friends our congratulations and our warmest welcome to a proud Bryant family.

Congratulations and welcome to the Bryant College Alumni Association.
Academic Heraldry

The history of academic dress worn today dates back to the universities of the Middle Ages. A statute of 1321 required the wearing of gowns by all scholars and clerics. Probably the warm gown and hood were practical in the unheated buildings.

Students at most American universities wore caps and gowns daily while in residence until after the Civil War. These varied in design until they were standardized by the American Inter-collegiate Commission in 1895. While the academic costume code has been modified over the years, the general characteristics of the initial requirements still prevail. The uniform system of academic heraldry serves to indicate the level of degree, the field of study in which it was earned, and the institution by which it was granted. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve and can be worn open or closed. The gown for the doctor's degree has bell-shaped sleeves with black velvet facing down the front and three bars of the same across the sleeves. However, these facings and crossbars may be in the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains. At Bryant College, the president and the honorary degree recipients wear gowns especially designed and trimmed in the College color of gold.

Academic hoods are lined with the color of the university granting the degree. The border of the hood is in the color of the discipline in which the degree was earned. For example, colors associated with different subjects include: light brown (or sapphire blue) for commerce, accountancy, business; copper for economics; light blue for education; peacock blue for public administration; purple for law; and white for arts, letters, humanities.

The length of the hood varies slightly for bachelor's and master's, and doctor's degree. Today, the hood for those receiving a bachelor's degree has been replaced by the mortarboard or cap with long tassels in black or in the color appropriate to the subject. It is often the tradition of the candidates for degrees to wear the tassel on the right front side before the degree is conferred and to shift it to the left when the degree is awarded.
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Flowers are available at the Student Senate concession table.
Refreshments are available at the outdoor ARAMARK concession.
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Film and Bryant memorabilia can be purchased at the Bookstore located in the Bryant Center.

Please ask an usher if you need assistance in locating any of these services.